



2011 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 63

February 14, 2012 – Introduced by Senators CARPENTER and DARLING, cosponsored by Representatives KOOYENGA, FIELDS, SINICKI, J. OTT and ZEPNICK. Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Utilities, Commerce, and Government Operations.

1 **To amend** section 4 (1) (c) of article VI of the constitution; **relating to:** appointment
2 of treasurer in Milwaukee county (first consideration).

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The constitution provides that county treasurers shall be elected in each county. This amendment, proposed to the 2011 legislature on first consideration, provides that the treasurer of Milwaukee county shall be appointed by the county executive, with the concurrence of the county board, unless another method of appointment is provided by law.

A proposed constitutional amendment requires adoption by two successive legislatures, and ratification by the people, before it can become effective.

3 **Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That:**
4 **SECTION 1.** Section 4 (1) (c) of article VI of the constitution is amended to read:
5 [Article VI] Section 4 (1) (c) Beginning with the first general election at which
6 the president is elected which occurs after the ratification of this paragraph, district
7 attorneys, registers of deeds, county clerks, and treasurers, except the treasurer in
8 Milwaukee county, shall be chosen by the electors of the respective counties, or by the
9 electors of all of the respective counties comprising each combination of counties

1 combined by the legislature for that purpose, for the term of 4 years and surveyors
2 in counties in which the office of surveyor is filled by election shall be chosen by the
3 electors of the respective counties, or by the electors of all of the respective counties
4 comprising each combination of counties combined by the legislature for that
5 purpose, for the term of 4 years. In Milwaukee county, the treasurer shall be
6 appointed by the county executive, with the concurrence of the county board, unless
7 another method of appointment is provided by law.

8 ***Be it further resolved, That*** this proposed amendment be referred to the
9 legislature to be chosen at the next general election and that it be published for three
10 months previous to the time of holding such election.

11 (END)